

Henry VIII Visits Parliament Three Times in 1532; Eustace Chapuys' Account to Emperor Charles V

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...The King has been at the Parliament three times lately, and has played his part so that the article about the annates has been passed. All the bishops and two abbots opposed it. The lords (*les grans*), who were about thirty, all consented, except the earl of Arundel, so that the majority was for the King. The matter was decided yesterday. Hopes this disorder will not prejudice the Queen's affair, which has not yet been mentioned in Parliament. Nothing else of importance has been concluded, but on Saturday their intention will be known, as then the States will be prorogued (*licenciez*) till after St. George's Day.... .

Signed: "Eustace Chapuys."

¹ Great Britain. *Letters and Papers of Henry VIII*. Ed. J.S. Brewer and James Gairdner. London: Longmans and Co., 1882.